

AMENDMENT

In The Claims

Please cancel Claims 1-30.

Please add new Claims 31-52 as follows.

1-30. (Canceled).

31. (New) A floatation system for attachment to a helicopter, the floatation system comprising:

at least one inflatable float for supporting the helicopter; and
an inflatable raft for transporting persons.

32. (New) The floatation system of claim 31, wherein the system is adapted to be converted from a packed configuration to a partially deployed configuration by use of a first actuating member.

33. (New) The floatation system of claim 31, wherein the system is adapted to be converted from the partially deployed configuration into a fully deployed configuration by use of a second actuating member.

34. (New) The floatation system of claim 31, wherein the at least one float and the raft are releasably contained within a cover member in a packed configuration.

35. (New) The floatation system of claim 32, wherein the raft and the at least one float are deflated in the packed configuration.

36. (New) The floatation system of claim 33, wherein the raft is deflated and the at least one float is inflated in the partially deployed configuration.

37. (New) The floatation system of claim 33, wherein the raft and the at least one float are inflated in the fully deployed configuration.

38. (New) A floatation system for attachment to a helicopter, the floatation system comprising:

a girt dimensioned to be attached to the landing skid;

at least one float attached to the girt; and

a raft attached to the at least one float;

wherein the at least one float is adapted to support the helicopter and the raft is adapted to transport persons.

39. (New) The floatation system of claim 38, wherein the system is adapted to be converted from a packed configuration to a partially deployed configuration by use of a first actuating member.

40. (New) The floatation system of claim 39, wherein the system is adapted to be converted from the partially deployed configuration into a fully deployed configuration by use of a second actuating member.

41. (New) The floatation system of claim 38, wherein the at least one float and the raft are releasably contained within a cover member in a packed configuration.

42. (New) The floatation system of claim 41, wherein the raft and the at least one float are deflated in the packed configuration.

43. (New) The floatation system of claim 40, wherein the raft is deflated and the at least one float is inflated in the partially deployed configuration.

44. (New) The floatation system of claim 40, wherein the raft and the at least one float are inflated in the fully deployed configuration.

45. (New) A floatation system for attachment to a helicopter, the floatation system comprising:

at least one inflatable float; and

an inflatable raft;

wherein the at least one float is used to support the helicopter and the raft is used to transport persons during an emergency.

46. (New) The floatation system of claim 45, wherein the system is adapted to be converted from a packed configuration to a partially deployed configuration by use of a first actuating member.

47. (New) The floatation system of claim 46, wherein the system is adapted to be converted from the partially deployed configuration into a fully deployed configuration by use of a second actuating member.

48. (New) The floatation system of claim 45, wherein the at least one float and the raft are releasably contained within a cover member in a packed configuration.

49. (New) The floatation system of claim 46, wherein the raft and the at least one float are deflated in the packed configuration.

50. (New) The floatation system of claim 46, wherein the raft is deflated and the at least one float is inflated in the partially deployed configuration.

51. (New) The floatation system of claim 47, wherein the raft and the at least one float are inflated in the fully deployed configuration.

52. (New) A floatation system for attachment to a helicopter, the floatation system comprising:

at least one inflatable float;

an inflatable raft; and

an air tank attached to the helicopter for inflating the inflatable raft.